

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
HOUSTON DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

VS.

JEFFREY STERN  
LAMONT RATCLIFF  
DEBORAH BRADLEY  
RICHARD PLEZIA

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CRIMINAL ACTION NO. H-19-450

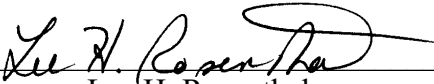
**COMPLEX CASE**

**ORDER**

Defendant Lamont Ratcliff filed a motion to deem the case complex and for a continuance, (Docket Entry No. 84). The government and the codefendants are unopposed to the motion. The court grants the motion to deem the case complex. The court finds that the interests of justice are served by granting this continuance and that those interests outweigh the interests of the public and the defendants in a speedy trial. The motion for continuance is granted. The docket control order is amended as follows:

Motions are to be filed by:	December 6, 2019
Responses are to be filed by:	December 20, 2019
Interim Pretrial Conference set for:	<b>December 19, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.</b>
Pretrial conference is reset to:	<b>February 11, 2020 at 8:45 a.m.</b>
Jury trial and selection are reset to:	<b>February 18, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.</b>

SIGNED on September 20, 2019, at Houston, Texas.

  
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Lee H. Rosenthal  
Chief United States District Judge